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Gov. Perdue Announces 150 jobs with AptarGroup

Company plans manufacturing facility in Lincoln County

RALEIGH – Gov. Bev Perdue announced today that AptarGroup, Inc., a leading global supplier of customized dispensing systems (spray and lotion pumps, dispensing closures, and aerosol valves) for the beauty, personal care, pharmaceutical, household, food and beverage markets, will open its newest manufacturing facility in Lincolnton.

The company plans to create 150 jobs over the next five years with approximately \$50 million in capital investments in Lincolnton. The project was made possible in part by a state grant from the Job Development Investment Grant program.

"The fact that corporations continue to bring these kinds of projects to North Carolina proves that our investment in education and job creation is paying off," Gov. Perdue said. "These are the kinds of jobs that are helping our state steadily climb out of the recession, and we welcome international companies like Aptar that are willing to invest in our state and position North Carolina as a leader in business."

Aptar provides value-added dispensing systems to global consumer product marketers allowing them to differentiate their products and meet consumers' need for convenience. The company has approximately 8,600 employees with manufacturing facilities located throughout the world including North America, Europe, Asia and South America.